



Checklist of Competencies Respiratory Therapist

Name: _____ Signature/Date: _____

Highly Skilled (HS) = Strong experience and solid theoretical understanding
 Skilled (S) = Moderate amount of experience, basic theoretical understanding
 Proficient (P) = Some experienced, prefer strong resource when caring for this.
 Limited Skill/theory (L) = Limited to no experience, little or no theoretical understanding

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Assessments, Education, Prevention, & Promotion						Special Equipment					
Conduct a complete cardio-respiratory assessment						Oxygen Equipment					
Interpret relevant diagnostic testing, information & records						Ventilators					
Interpret chest radiography						Nebuizer Set-up					
Perform chest auscultation						Emergency Suction Equipment					
Develop, monitor & adjust respiratory						Setting Up Trays					
Blood Analysis						Thoracotomy Tray					
Perform arterial puncture						Suture Set					
Perform arterial line sampling						Intubation					
Perform venous puncture						Assist with Intubating					
Interpret electrolytes						Laryngoscope					
Pulmonary Diagnostic Testing						Endotracheal Tubes					
Perform oximetry testing						Ambu Bags					
Assist in bronchoscopy procedures						Miscellaneous					
Assist in laryngoscopy procedures						Care of patients:					
Perform spirometry (flow & volume)						In orthopedic traction					
Measure lung volume by body plethysmography						In isolation precautions					
Measure airway resistance & conductance by body						With burns					
Perform FRC dilution											
Perform nitrogen washout											
Measure diffusion capacity											
Measure static & dynamic lung compliance											
Perform pulmonary exercise test											
Care of patient in acute renal failure											
Cardiovascular Problems											
Obtaining 12 Lead E KG											
Arrhythmia Interpretation											
Arrests-Initiate CPR											
Defibrillation											